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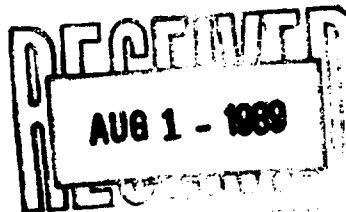
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RESOURCE APPLICATIONS, INC.
1000 Cambridge Square Ste. D
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Re: Laskin/Poplar Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Kelley:

The companies listed on Exhibit A attached hereto are in receipt of the letter dated July 5, 1989 demanding payment of the USEPA response cost through September, 1988 for the captioned site. Please be advised that the referenced companies are signatories to the Consent Decree entered by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio on March 3, 1989 and have already settled with the United States for a portion of the response costs you outline in your letter. These companies are also currently in negotiations with USEPA which negotiations cover those response costs not already settled. Given these circumstances you should not assume that the listed companies have declined to reimburse the fund for site expenditures in accordance with the first paragraph of page 3 of the July 5, 1989 letter.

Yours truly,

Karen B. Newborn

cc: Jonathan McPhee, Esq.
✓ Mr. Victor Hiatt
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Exhibit A

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

EXHIBIT A

American Cyanamid

Beazer Materials & Services, Inc. (Formerly Koppers Company, Inc.)

Be-Kan, Inc.

Browning-Ferris Industries of Ohio, Inc.

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (Gulf Oil Corporation)

Commercial Intertech Corporation

CSC Industries, Inc.

General Electric Company

General Motors Corporation

Interlake Steamship Company

Kaiser Aluminum

Litton Great Lakes Corporation

The Ohio Broach & Machinery Company

Ohio Rubber Company (A Division of Eagle-Picher Industries, Inc.)

Pittsburgh & Conneaut Dock

Rockwell International Corporation

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company

TRW Inc.

Union Carbide Corporation